

Message Text

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 01 BELGRA 05758 151343Z

53

ACTION EUR-12

INFO OCT-01 ISO-00 EURE-00 SSO-00 NSCE-00 USIE-00 INRE-00

SS-15 NSC-05 CIAE-00 PM-03 INR-05 L-02 ACDA-05

NSAE-00 PA-01 RSC-01 PRS-01 SP-02 TRSE-00 SAI-01 /054 W

----- 120361

O P 151243Z NOV 74

FM AMEMBASSY BELGRADE

TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 1194

INFO AMEMBASSY ANKARA

AMEMBASSY LONDON

AMEMBASSY ROME PRIORITY

USMISSION NATO PRIORITY

C O N F I D E N T I A L 5758

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR YO TU UK IT

SUBJ: GOY DEMARCHE ON NATO MANEUVERS IN ADRIATIC

1. CHARGE WAS CALLED TO FOREIGN OFFICE THIS MORNING
BY FSFA ASSISTANT SECRETARY SLAVOLJUB PETROVIC AND
WAS GIVE SHARP ORAL DEMARCHE REGARDING NATO MANEUVERS
IN ADRIATIC.

2. PETROVIC SAID THAT ON INSTRUCTIONS HE WAS DELIVERING
DEMARCHE REGARDING MILITARY EXERCISES CONDUCTED IN
ADRIATIC BY ITALIAN, UK, TURKISH AND US FORCES NOVEMBER
9-16. GOY TAKES POSITION THAT SUCH MANEUVERS ARE WITH-
OUT PRECEDENT IN INTERNATIONAL POLITICAL PRACTICE
AND CAN HAVE UNPREDICTABLE CONSEQUENCES, ESPECIALLY
SINCE THIS IS FIRST TIME NATO FORCE WAS OPERATED IN
ADRIATIC AND FIRST TIME THIS HAS
HAPPENED IN THIRTY YEARS SINCE THE END OF WORLD WAR II.
PETROVIC RECALLED MARCH ITALIAN-US MANEUVERS,
WHICH HE SAID PROVOKED GREAT ANXIETY AND DIS-
PLEASURE IN YUGOSLAVIA. THE PRESENT MANEUVERS WILL
LEAD TO STILL GREATER REACTION OF YUGOSLAV PEOPLE AND
CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 02 BELGRA 05758 151343Z

GOVERNMENT. UNTIL NOW AMERICAN FRIENDS

HAVE REFERRED TO ADRIATIC AS ZONE OF PEACE.
SECRETARY KISSINGER SAID THIS TO MINIC, AS DID SENATOR
KENNEDY AND OTHERS. YUGOSLAVS AGREED AND WERE PLEASED
WITH THESE STATEMENTS.

3. NEW NATO EXERCISES CONFUSE YUGOSLAVS, HE SAID, AND
THEY DO NOT KNOW HOW TO UNDERSTAND THEM OR THEIR PURPOSE.
OF THE THREE LITTORAL STATES ON THE ADRIATIC, TWO ARE
OUTSIDE BLOCS. IT THE REASON FOR THESE MANEUVERS IS
DUE TO THE LATEST STRAINED RELATIONS BETWEEN GREECE AND
TURKEY THIS DOES NOT SATISFY GOY IN THE LEAST, NOR CAN
IT BE JUSTIFIED.

4. GOY WISHES TO EXPRESS ITS FULL DISPLEASURE AND CON-
CERN AS SUCH MANEUVERS CAN PRODUCE GRAVE CONSEQUENCES
FOR YUGOSLAV SECURITY. GOY MUST ALSO NOTE THAT AS A
NONALIGNED COUNTRY SUCH MANUVERS REMIND OF A FORM OF
PRESSURE ON YGUOSLAVIA.

5. PETROVIC ADDED THAT IN INFORMING US GOVERNMENT
OF GOY DISSATISFACTION WITH THESE MANEUVERS, YUGOSLAVS
ARE MAKING SIMILAR DEMARCHE TO OTHER GOVERNMENTS
PARTICIPATING IN MANEUVERS. SUCH DEMARCHE
DELIVERED THIS MORNING TO ITALIAN AMBASSADOR. PETROVIC
CONCLUDED BY ASKING CHARGE TO INFORM USG OF GOY VIEWS
AS SET FORTH IN DEMARCHE.

6. CHARGE REPLIED THAT HE WOULD, OF COURSE, PROMPTLY
INFORM HIS GOVERNMENT. HE NOTED THAT NATO NAVAL
MANEUVERS HAD BEEN ANNOUNCED SOME WEEKS AGO. HE COULD
ASSURE GOY AS WITNESSED BY SECREARY'S VISIT THAT MANEUVERS
IN NO WAY WERE FORM OF PRESSURE OR INTENDED TO BE. PETROVIC
SAID HE NOTED THIS BUT THAT SUCH MANEUVERS MUST
BE CONSIDERED AS A CAUSE OF SERIOUS CONCERN OF
YUGOSLAV SECURITY.

7. ITALIAN AMBASSADOR WHO RECEIVED DEMARCHE FIRST,LATER
INFORMED US HE RECALLED TO PETROVIC
THAT ITALIANS AS A FRIENDLY GESTURE HAD IN-
FOMRED GOY ONE MONTH AGO REGARDING MANEUVERS. HE
CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 03 BELGRA 05758 151343Z

INDICATED THEY WERE NOT MANEUVERS BYT LOGISTICAL
EXERCISES. HE SAID HE WAS ASTONISHED THAT YUGOSLAVS
HAD WAIATED SO LONG TO DELIVER DEMARCHE. PETROVIC REPLIED
THAT GOY NEEDED TIME TO CONSIDER MANEUVERS AND CONSULT
REGARDING THIS SIGNIFICANCE.
MILLER

CONFIDENTIAL

NNN

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptioning: X
Capture Date: 01 JAN 1994
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: DEMARCHE, MILITARY EXERCISES
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Draft Date: 15 NOV 1974
Decaption Date: 01 JAN 1960
Decaption Note:
Disposition Action: RELEASED
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Authority: cunninfx
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment: 25 YEAR REVIEW
Disposition Date: 28 MAY 2004
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1974BELGRA05758
Document Source: CORE
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: n/a
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: GS
Errors: N/A
Film Number: D740330-0478
From: BELGRADE
Handling Restrictions: n/a
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1974/newtext/t19741141/aaaabinu.tel
Line Count: 113
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM
Office: ACTION EUR
Original Classification: CONFIDENTIAL
Original Handling Restrictions: n/a
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Page Count: 3
Previous Channel Indicators:
Previous Classification: CONFIDENTIAL
Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Reference: n/a
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Authority: cunninfx
Review Comment: n/a
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 23 MAY 2002
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review History: RELEASED <23 MAY 2002 by ifshinsr>; APPROVED <18 MAR 2003 by cunninfx>
Review Markings:

Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
30 JUN 2005

Review Media Identifier:
Review Referrals: n/a
Review Release Date: n/a
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
Secure: OPEN
Status: NATIVE
Subject: GOY DEMARCHE ON NATO MANEUVERS IN ADRIATIC
TAGS: PFOR, YO, TU, UK, IT
To: STATE
Type: TE
Markings: Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 30 JUN 2005